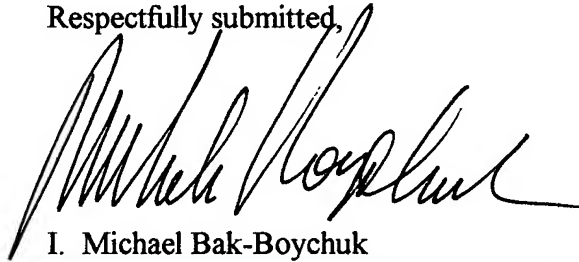


## REMARKS

Claims 1 through 9 remain in the case, no claims being canceled by this amendment. The Applicant notes with appreciation the allowance of the independent claims 1 and 6 and the indication of allowability of claim 2-5 and 7-9. These oversights are regretted. In full compliance with the proposed amendment kindly offered by the Examiner the objected text in each of these allowable claims has now been carefully corrected.

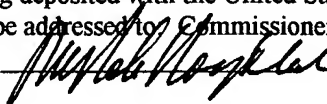
By virtue of the foregoing amendments all bases for rejection and objection have now been removed, with all the remaining claims now correctly reciting allowable matter, and an early notice of allowance is therefore earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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